

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A stand-alone disposable garment liner having a waist opening and two leg openings, comprising:
a liquid-permeable nonwoven material,
a first side seam extending from the waist opening to a first leg opening; and
a second side seam extending from the waist opening to a second leg opening means to fasten the garment about a wearer;
the garment liner being substantially free of an absorbent ~~material~~ assembly and substantially free of liquid-impermeable material.

2. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1, wherein the liquid-permeable nonwoven material is a mesh material.

Claim 3 (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim ~~[[3]]~~ 1, wherein the nonwoven material comprises spunbond polypropylene.

5. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim ~~[[3]]~~ 1, wherein the nonwoven material comprises spunbond polyethylene.

6. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim ~~[[3]]~~ 1, wherein the nonwoven material comprises a spunbond/meltblown/spunbond web combination.

7. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1, wherein the liquid-permeable material comprises nylon.

8. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1 comprising at least two layers of the liquid-permeable material.

9. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1, wherein the material has a basis weight in a range from about 7 gsm to about 85 gsm.

10. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 2, wherein the mesh material has a basis weight in a range from about 14 gsm to about 54 gsm.

11. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 2, wherein the mesh material has a basis weight in a range from about 20 gsm to about 41 gsm.

12. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 2, wherein the mesh material has a hole size in a range from about 147 microns to about 5810 microns.

13. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 2, wherein the mesh material has a tensile strength of at least about 5 pounds of force per 4 inches of material.

14. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 2, wherein the mesh material has a tensile strength of at least about 10 pounds of force per 4 inches of material.

15. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 2, wherein the mesh material has a tensile strength of at least about 13 pounds of force per 4 inches of material.

16. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 2, wherein the mesh material has a tensile strength of at least about 19 pounds of force per 4 inches of material.

17. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1 further comprising a waist elastic.

18. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1 further comprising a pair of leg elastics.

19. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 18, wherein the leg elastics comprise curved elastics.

20. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 18, wherein the leg elastics comprise straight elastics.

21. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1 ~~further comprising~~ wherein the first and second side seams each comprise a refastenable fastening system extending from the waist opening to each of the first and second leg openings, respectively.

22. (Currently Amended) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 1 ~~further comprising a first side seam extending from the waist opening to the first leg opening and a second side seam extending from the waist opening to the second leg opening~~ wherein each of the first and second side seams is permanently bonded.

Claims 23-48 (Canceled)

49. (New) A stand-alone disposable garment liner having a waist opening and two leg openings, comprising:

a liquid-permeable material, and

an elastic material at least partially surrounding the waist opening;

the garment liner being substantially free of an absorbent assembly and substantially free of liquid-impermeable material.

50. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 49, further comprising an elastic material at least partially surrounding each leg opening.

51. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 49, wherein the liquid-permeable material comprises a mesh material.

52. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 49, wherein the liquid-permeable material comprises a spunbond web.

53. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 52, wherein the liquid-permeable material further comprises a meltblown web.

54. (New) A stand-alone disposable garment liner having a waist opening and two leg openings, comprising:

a liquid-permeable material; and

an elastic material at least partially surrounding each leg opening;

the garment liner being substantially free of an absorbent assembly and substantially free of liquid-impermeable material.

55. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 54, wherein the liquid-permeable material comprises a mesh material.

56. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 54, wherein the liquid-permeable material comprises a spunbond web.

57. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 54, wherein the liquid-permeable material further comprises a meltblown web.

58. (New) A stand-alone disposable garment liner having a waist opening and two leg openings, comprising:

a liquid-permeable mesh material; and

a refastenable fastening system;

the garment liner being substantially free of an absorbent assembly and substantially free of liquid-impermeable material.

59. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 58, wherein the refastenable fastening system extends from the waist opening to at least one of the leg openings.

60. (New) The stand-alone disposable garment liner of Claim 58, wherein the liquid-permeable mesh material comprises a nonwoven material.